# CMS ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD (EHR) INCENTIVE PROGRAM ELIGIBLE HOSPITALS PUBLIC USE FILE (PUF) DATA DICTIONARY AND CODEBOOK

This is a provider-level file with the following variables. See the General Documentation for an overview of file contents, data source, and analytic utility.

## **NPI**

This variable indicates the National Provider Identifier (NPI) for the EH.

## **Program Year**

This variable contains the year of attestation to the Medicare EHR Program.

# **Payment Year**

This variable contains the number of year of attestation to the Medicare EHR Program.

## **Attestation Success Date**

This variable contains the full date of successful attestation to the Medicare EHR Program.

## **CCN**

This variable contains the CMS Certification Number (CCN) for the EH.

#### CM<sub>1</sub>

Measure Name: Core Measure 1

Objective Title: CPOE for Medication Orders

Objective Description: Use computerized provider order entry (CPOE) for medication orders

directly entered by any licensed healthcare professional who can enter

orders into the medical record per state, local and professional

guidelines.

Measure Description: More than 30 percent of all unique patients with at least one medication

in their medication list admitted to the EHs or CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) have at least one medication

order entered using CPOE.

Numerator Description: The number of patients in the denominator that have at least one

medication order entered using CPOE.

Denominator Description The number of unique patients with at least one medication in their

medication list admitted to the EHs or CAHs inpatient or emergency

department during the EHR reporting period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM1.

## CM2

Measure Name: Core Measure 2

Objective Title: Drug Interaction Check

Objective Description: Implement drug-drug and drug-allergy interaction checks

Measure Description: The EH or CAH has enabled this functionality for the entire EHR

reporting period.

Numerator Description: — Denominator Description —

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for CM2.

#### CM<sub>3</sub>

Measure Name: Core Measure 3
Objective Title: Maintain Problem List

Objective Description: Maintain an up-to-date problem list of current and active diagnoses.

Measure Description: More than 80 percent of all unique patients admitted to the EHs or

CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) have at least one entry or an indication that no problems are known for the patient

recorded as structured data.

Numerator Description: Number of patients in the denominator who have at least one entry or

an indication that no problems are known for the patient recorded as

structured data in their problem list.

Denominator Description Number of unique patients admitted to an EHs or CAHs inpatient or

emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR reporting

period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM3.

## CM4

Measure Name: Core Measure 4

Objective Title: Active Medication List

Objective Description: Maintain active medication list.

Measure Description: More than 80 percent of all unique patients admitted to the EHs or

CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) have at least one entry (or an indication that the patient is not currently prescribed

any medication) recorded as structured data.

Numerator Description: Number of patients in the denominator who have a medication (or an

indication that the patient is not currently prescribed any medication)

recorded as structured data.

Denominator Description 
Number of unique patients admitted to the EHs or CAHs inpatient or

emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR reporting period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM4.

## CM5

Measure Name: Core Measure 5

Objective Title: Medication Allergy List

Objective Description: Maintain active medication allergy list.

Measure Description: More than 80 percent of all unique patients admitted to the EHs or

CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) have at least one entry (or an indication that the patient has no known medication

allergies) recorded as structured data.

Numerator Description: Number of unique patients in the denominator who have at least one

entry (or an indication that the patient has no known medication allergies) recorded as structured data in their medication allergy list.

Denominator Description 
Number of unique patients admitted to the EHs or CAHs inpatient or

emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR reporting

period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM5.

**CM6** 

Measure Name: Core Measure 6
Objective Title: Record Demographics

Objective Description: Record all of the following demographics: Preferred language, Gender,

Race, Ethnicity, Date of birth

Measure Description: More than 50 percent of all unique patients admitted to the EHs or

CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) have

demographics recorded as structured data.

Numerator Description: Number of patients in the denominator who have all the elements of

demographics (or a specific exclusion if the patient declined to provide one or more elements or if recording an element is contrary to state

law) recorded as structured data.

Denominator Description Number of unique patients admitted to the EHs or CAHs inpatient or

emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR reporting

period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM6.

CM7

Measure Name: Core Measure 7
Objective Title: Record Vital Signs

Objective Description: Record and chart changes in vital signs: Height, Weight, Blood

pressure, Calculate and display body mass index (BMI), Plot and display growth charts for children 2-20 years, including BMI.

Measure Description: For more than 50 percent of all unique patients age 2 and over admitted

to the EHs or CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23), height, weight, and blood pressure are recorded as structured data.

Numerator Description: Number of patients in the denominator who have at least one entry of

their height, weight and blood pressure are recorded as structured data.

Denominator Description Number of unique patients age 2 or over admitted to the EHs or CAHs

inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR

reporting period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM7.

## **CM8**

Measure Name: Core Measure 8

Objective Title: Record Smoking Status

Objective Description: Record smoking status for patients 13 years old or older.

Measure Description: More than 50 percent of all unique patients 13 years old or older or

admitted to the EHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23)

have smoking status recorded as structured data.

Numerator Description: Number of patients in the denominator with smoking status recorded as

structured data.

Denominator Description Number of unique patients age 13 or older admitted to the EHs

inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR

reporting period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM8.

# **CM8 Exclusions**

Measure Name: Core Measure 8

Objective Title: Record Smoking Status

Exclusion Description/ Any EH or CAH that admits no patients 13 years or older to their

Criteria: inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23).

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) of whether an exclusion was used by the EH for CM8.

#### **CM9**

Measure Name: Core Measure 9

Objective Title: Clinical Quality Measures

Objective Description: Report ambulatory clinical quality measures to CMS.

Measure Description: Successfully report to CMS hospital clinical quality measures selected

by CMS in the manner specified by CMS.

Numerator Description: —

Denominator Description —

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for CM9. This is no longer a reportable measure.

#### **CM10**

Measure Name: Core Measure 10

Clinical Decision Support Rule Objective Title:

Implement one clinical decision support rule relevant to specialty or high Objective Description:

clinical priority along with the ability to track compliance with that rule.

Measure Description: Implement one clinical decision support rule.

Numerator Description: Denominator Description

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for CM10.

## **CM11**

Measure Name: Core Measure 11

Objective Title: Electronic Copy of Health Information

Objective Description: Provide patients with an electronic copy of their health information

(including diagnostic test results, problem list, medication lists,

medication allergies), upon request.

Measure Description: More than 50 percent of all patients of the inpatient or emergency

> departments of the EH or CAH (POS 21 or 23) who request an electronic copy of their health information are provided it within 3

business days.

Number of patients in the denominator who receive an electronic copy Numerator Description:

of their electronic health information within three business days.

Number of patients of the EH or CAH who request an electronic copy **Denominator Description** 

of their electronic health information four business days prior to the

end of the EHR reporting period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM11.

#### CM11 Exclusions

Measure Name: Core Measure 11

Objective Title: Electronic Copy of Health Information

Exclusion Description/ Any EH or CAH that has no requests from patients or their agents for Criteria:

an electronic copy of patient health information during the EHR

reporting period.

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) of whether an exclusion was used by the EH for CM11.

#### **CM12**

Core Measure 12 Measure Name:

Objective Title: Electronic Copy of Discharge Instructions

Objective Description: Provide patients with an electronic copy of their discharge instructions

at time of discharge, upon request.

Measure Description: More than 50 percent of all patients who are discharged from an EH or

CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) and who request an electronic copy of their discharge instructions are provided

it.

Numerator Description: Number of office visits in the denominator for which a clinical

summary of is provided within three business days.

Denominator Description Number of patients discharged from an EHs or CAHs inpatient or

emergency department (POS 21 or 23) who request an electronic copy

of their discharge instructions during the EHR reporting period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for CM12.

## **CM12 Exclusions**

Measure Name: Core Measure 12

Objective Title: Electronic Copy of Discharge Instructions

Exclusion Description/ Any EH or CAH that has no requests from patients or their agents for

an electronic copy of the discharge instructions during the EHR

reporting period.

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) of whether an exclusion was used by the EH for CM12.

## **CM13**

Criteria:

Measure Name: Core Measure 13

Objective Title: Electronic Exchange of Clinical Information

Objective Description: Capability to exchange key clinical information (for example, problem

list, medication list, allergies, diagnostic test results), among providers

of care and patient authorized entities electronically.

Measure Description: Performed at least one test of certified EHR technology's capacity to

electronically exchange key clinical information.

Numerator Description: — Denominator Description —

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for CM13. This is no longer a reportable measure.

## **CM14**

Measure Name: Core Measure 14

Objective Title: Protect Electronic Health Information

Objective Description: Protect electronic health information created or maintained by the

certified EHR technology through the implementation of appropriate

technical capabilities.

Measure Description: Conduct or review a security risk analysis in accordance with the

requirements under 45 CFR 164.308(a)(1) and implement security updates as necessary and correct identified security deficiencies as part

of its risk management process.

Numerator Description: — Denominator Description —

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for CM14.

## MM1

Measure Name: Menu Measure 1

Objective Title: Drug Formulary Checks

Objective Description: Implement drug formulary checks

Measure Description: The EH or CAH has enabled this functionality and has access to at

least one internal or external formulary for the entire EHR reporting

period.

Numerator Description: — Denominator Description —

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for MM1.

#### MM2

Measure Name: Menu Measure 2
Objective Title: Advance Directives

Objective Description: Record advance directives for patient 65 years old or older.

Measure Description: More than 50 percent of all unique patients 65 years old or older

admitted to the EHs or CAHs inpatient (POS 21) have an indication of

an advance directive status recorded as structured data.

Numerator Description: Number of lab test results whose results are expressed in a positive or

negative affirmation or as a number which are incorporated as

structured data.

Denominator Description Number of patients in the denominator with an indication of an

advanced directive entered using structured data.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for MM2.

## **MM2 Exclusions**

Measure Name: Menu Measure 2
Objective Title: Advance Directives

Exclusion Description/ An EH or CAH that admits no patients age 65 years old or older during

Criteria: the EHR reporting period.

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) of whether an exclusion was used by the EH for MM2.

#### MM3

Measure Name: Menu Measure 3

Objective Title: Clinical Lab Test Results

Objective Description: Incorporate clinical lab test results into EHR as structured data.

Measure Description: More than 40 percent of all clinical lab test results ordered by an

authorized provider of the EH or CAH for patients admitted to its inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 and 23) during the EHR reporting period whose results are either in a positive/negative or numerical format are incorporated in certified EHR technology as

structured data.

Numerator Description: Number of lab test results whose results are expressed in a positive or

negative affirmation or as a number which are incorporated as

structured data.

Denominator Description Number of lab tests ordered during the EHR reporting period by

authorized providers of the EH or CAH for patients admitted to an EHs or CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 and 23) whose results are expressed in a positive or negative affirmation or as a

number.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for MM3.

#### MM4

Measure Name: Menu Measure 4
Objective Title: Patient Lists

Objective Description: Generate lists of patients by specific conditions to use for quality

improvement, reduction of disparities, research, or outreach.

Measure Description: Generate at least one report listing patients of the EH or CAH with a

specific condition.

Numerator Description: — Denominator Description —

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) of whether an exclusion was used by the EH for MM4.

## MM5

Measure Name: Menu Measure 5

Objective Title: Patient- specific Education Resources

Objective Description: Use certified EHR technology to identify patient-specific education

resources and provide those resources to the patient if appropriate.

Measure Description: More than 10 percent of all unique patients admitted to the EHs or

CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) are provided

patient-specific education resources.

Numerator Description: Number of patients in the denominator who are provided patient

education specific resources.

Denominator Description Number of unique patients admitted to the EHs or CAHs inpatient or

emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR reporting

period.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for MM5.

## **MM6**

Measure Name: Menu Measure 6

Objective Title: Medication Reconciliation

Objective Description: The EH or CAH who receives a patient from another setting of care or

provider of care or believes an encounter is relevant should perform

medication reconciliation.

Measure Description: The EH or CAH performs medication reconciliation for more than 50

percent of transitions of care in which the patient is admitted to the EHs or CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23).

Numerator Description: Number of transitions of care in the denominator where medication

reconciliation was performed.

Denominator Description Number of transitions of care during the EHR reporting period for

which the EHs or CAHs inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 to

23) was the receiving party of the transition.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for MM6.

## **MM7**

Measure Name: Menu Measure 7

Objective Title: Transition of Care Summary

Objective Description: The EH or CAH who transitions their patient to another setting of care

or provider of care or refers their patient to another provider of care should provide summary of care record for each transition of care or

referral.

Measure Description: The EH or CAH that transitions or refers their patient to another setting

of care or provider of care provides a summary of care record for more

than 50 percent of transitions of care and referrals.

Numerator Description: Number of transitions of care and referrals in the denominator where a

summary of care record was provided.

Denominator Description Number of transitions of care and referrals during the EHR reporting

period for which the EHs or CAHs inpatient or emergency department

(POS 21 to 23) was the transferring or referring provider.

These variables provide the numerator, denominator, and percentage, calculated by the numerator and denominator provided by the EH for MM7.

#### **MM8**

Measure Name: Menu Measure 8

Objective Title: Immunization Registries Data Submission

Objective Description: Capability to submit electronic data to immunization registries or

immunization information systems and actual submission in

accordance with applicable law and practice.

Performed at least one test of certified EHR technology's capacity to Measure Description:

> submit electronic data to immunization registries and follow up submission if the test is successful(unless none of the immunization registries to which the EH or CAH submits such information has the capacity to receive the information electronically), except where

prohibited.

Numerator Description: **Denominator Description** 

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for MM8.

## MM8 Exclusions

Measure Name: Menu Measure 8

Objective Title: Immunization Registries Data Submission

Exclusion Description/

An EH or CAH that administers no immunizations during the EHR Criteria:

reporting period, where no immunization registry has the capacity to receive the information electronically, or where it is prohibited.

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) of whether an exclusion was used by the EH for MM8.

## **MM9**

Measure Name: Menu Measure 9

Objective Title: Reportable Lab Results to Public Health Agencies

Objective Description: Capability to submit electronic data on reportable (as required by State

or local law) lab results to public health agencies and actual submission

according to applicable law and practice.

Measure Description: Performed at least one test of certified EHR technology's capacity to

> provide electronic submission of reportable lab results to public health agencies and follow-up submission if the test is successful (unless none of the public health agencies to which an EH or CAH submits such information has the capacity to receive the information electronically),

except where prohibited.

Numerator Description: **Denominator Description** 

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for MM9.

## **MM9 Exclusions**

Measure Name: Menu Measure 9

Objective Title: Reportable Lab Results to Public Health Agencies

Exclusion Description/ No public health agency to which the EH or CAH submits such

Criteria: information has the capacity to receive the information electronically,

or where it is prohibited.

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) of whether an exclusion was used by the EH for MM9.

## **MM10**

Measure Name: Menu Measure 10

Objective Title: Syndromic Surveillance Data Submission

Objective Description: Capability to submit electronic syndromic surveillance data to public

health agencies and actual submission in accordance with applicable

law and practice.

Measure Description: Performed at least one test of certified EHR technology's capacity to

provide electronic syndromic surveillance data to public health

agencies and follow-up submission if the test is successful (unless none of the public health agencies to which an EH or CAH submits such information has the capacity to receive the information electronically),

except where prohibited.

Numerator Description: — Denominator Description —

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) provided by the EH for MM 10.

# **MM10 Exclusions**

Measure Name: Menu Measure 10

Objective Title: Syndromic Surveillance Data Submission

Exclusion Description/ No public health agency to which the EH or CAH submits such

Criteria: information has the capacity to receive the information electronically,

or where it is prohibited.

This variable provides the response (Yes/No) of whether an exclusion was used by the EH for MM10.

## **EHR Certification Number**

This variable contains the EHR Certification Number of the EH to the Medicare EHR Program.